IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Edging mill for hot operation, with a pair of rolls (3; 4), which are arranged with their center axes (5) vertical, can be adjusted relative to each other, and are connected to a rotary drive (8) by means of cardan shafts (6, 7), ~~characterized by~~ comprising stationary installation of the rotary drive motor (8) for the two rolls (3, 4) below the mill floor level (2) and by drive connection of the rotary drive motor (8) with each stationary transmission (9) and of each stationary transmission (9) with its cardan shaft (6; 7).

2. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with Claim 1, ~~characterized by the fact that~~ wherein the rotary drive motor (8) is connected to each cardan shaft (6, 7) by means of a continuous drive shaft (10) with detached bevel gears on both sides (11) and spur gears (12).

3. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with ~~Claim 1 or Claim 2, characterized by the fact that~~ Claim 1, wherein the adjustment drives (14, 15) are installed on both sides of the vertical rolls (3, 4) above the mill floor level (2).

4. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with ~~any of Claims 1 to 3, characterized by the fact that~~ Claim 1, wherein deflector plates (24, 25) are mounted on the receivers (22, 23) for the heads of the cardan shafts (6, 7) and can be moved together with the rolls (3, 4).

5. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with Claim 4, ~~characterized by the fact that~~ wherein the movable deflector plates (24, 25) form an essentially vertical, first shaft (26).

6. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with ~~Claims 4 and 5, characterized by the fact that~~ Claim 4, wherein a second shaft (27) that follows the first shaft (26) is formed between the stationary spur gears (12) of the cardan shafts (6, 7) by stationary deflector plates (27a, 27b).

7. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with ~~any of Claims 4 to 6, characterized by the fact that~~ Claim 4, wherein the stationary deflector plates (27a, 27b) form a trapezoidal or conical inlet (28) that follows and is directly opposite the movable deflector plates (24, 25).

8. (Currently Amended) Edging mill in accordance with ~~any of Claims 4 to 7, characterized by the fact that~~ Claim 4, wherein a trough-like collecting pit (29) is formed below the second shaft (27) for carrying away dirt, scale, wastewater, and the like.